

REMARKS

The addition of new claims 50 to 58, as well as the submission of additional paragraphs 37B and 37C to the Specification, are respectfully submitted prior to initiation of the prosecution of this application in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The above-noted new claims are respectfully submitted in order to appropriately claim the subject matter that applicant considers constitutes his inventive contribution. Furthermore, the additional paragraphs to the Specification are submitted in order to clarify the Specification and to conform it to all of the requirements of U.S. practice. No new matter is included in these amendments. The new claims are supported by the original non-provisional application as filed and the provisional application from which the instant non-provisional application claims benefit as stated in paragraph [0001] hereof. Support for the additional paragraphs to the Specification can be found in the provisional application on the pages identified as the "Clinician's Handbook" reproduced in the provisional application and numbered as pages 7, and 8, wherein there are paragraphs that include the headings "Nitrogen Balance" and "Net Protein Utilization (NPU)" and the usefulness of the described compositions in connection therewith.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that these amendments now be entered, and that prosecution on the merits of this application now be initiated. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe such action can be taken, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which the Examiner may have.

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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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